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NSC Briefing

6 December 1960

INDONESIA

- I. Increasingly cordial relations have developed during past six months between President Sukarno and Soviet bloc.
  - A. This cordiality has apparently strengthened Sukarno's determination to include Communist party in the government.
  - B. Army Chief of Staff, General Nasution, and his deputies profess confidence that they can resist Sukarno on the Communist issue, but lower ranking staff officers fear army is losing ground vis-a-vis the president.
  - C. Ambassador Jones believes army still has power to buck Sukarno but he foresees a situation where the President may have so blurred the issue that the army will have no rallying point.
    1. Sukarno can always rally the country on highly-charged Netherlands New Guinea issue, on which the army must support him.

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FRANCE-ALGERIA

I. Flight of rightist Deputy Pierre Lagaille to Spain has increased concern that Algiers-initiated coup attempt imminent.

A. One of four other defendants who fled Paris trial of January insurrection leaders has given himself up.

B. Lagaille reported to be in San Sebastian with General Salan


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II. Retired Air Force Chief of Staff Edmond Jouhaud, already in Algeria,


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III. However, rumors that several generals on active duty had left their posts were unfounded.

IV. De Gaulle's scheduled 9 December arrival in Algeria could spark rightist action, possibly an assassination attempt.

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